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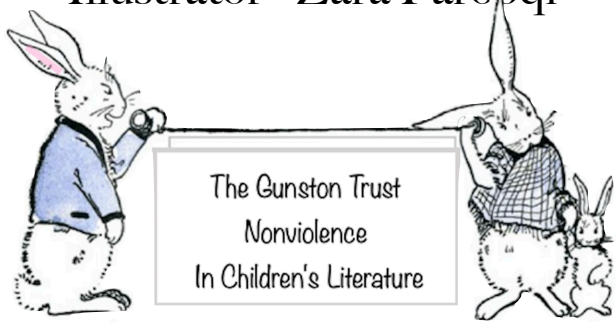

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Bodie
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Dedicated to dog lovers everywhere
And Especially my family
IN MASSACHUSETTS

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Bodie The Christmas Beagle

Up in New England Seven puppies were born,

And the howl of their bark, cut the air like a song.

Most were brown, white and tan,
With large ears that hung down.
How they dragged in the dirt,
As they hung on the ground.

The puppies were little, only seven weeks old,

They just wanted a a family to love and to hold.

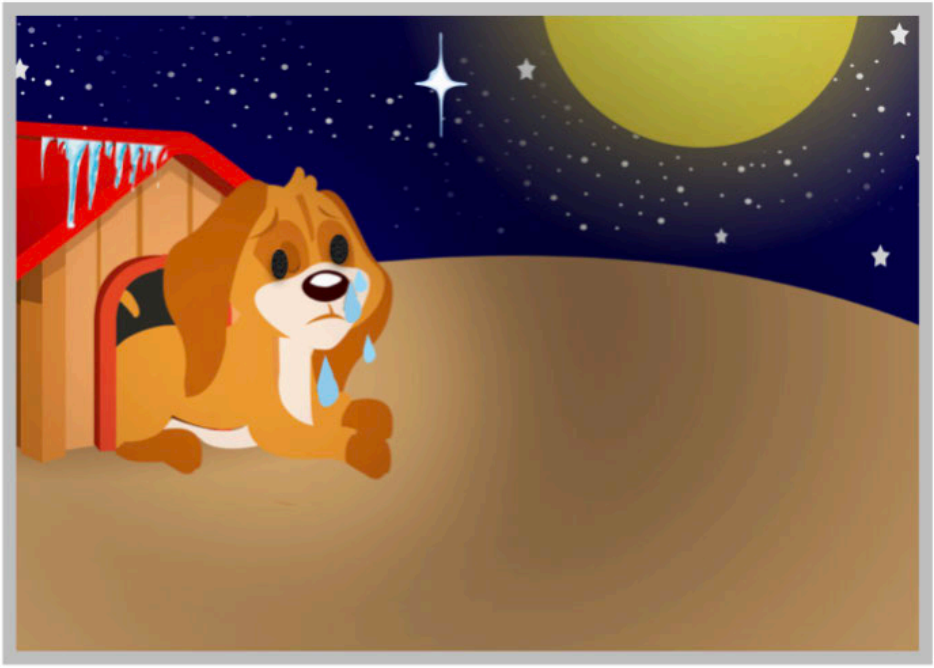
They all were adopted,

But something was wrong,

For poor Bodie was left,

With his ears that hung long. . .

Tears ran down his face,
His ears dragged on the ground
and his howl was so sad
Such a loud crying sound.



Bodie cried in the dark
All the puppies were gone
He just wanted a family,
So he cried all night long.

Now the snow started falling,
It was Christmas Eve day.
And by night this bad blizzard
Had slowed Santa's sleight.

The moon was all covered,

In crystals of ice,

But a present from Santa

Would be awfully nice!

He delivered to toys to all on his list,

Except for one family . . .

One family he missed!

But his bag was now empty
All empty of toys!
He had run out of gifts
For the good girls and boys!

Without Sant's present
For even one year,
Whatever would happen
To their good Christmas cheer?

So this little old man,

By the light of the moon,

Dropped in at the Kennel

In this snowy monsoon.

Little Bodie fell over,
Running up to the sleigh.
He tripped over his ears,
They just got in his wya.

Oh Santa, Oh Santa, . . .

Cried this dear little boy,

"I'll give o my bone,

For it makes a great toy!"

How Santa just smiled
At the puppies great charm,
Bodie ran up to Santa
And jumped into his arms!

You're the present that's perfect
For my very last stop,
Santa lifted up Bodie,
And he place him on top.

Through the wind and the snow,
They sailed way up high,
To Bodie's new home,
The sleigh slid through the sky.

And so Santa landed,

Up high on the roof,

Without one single sound,

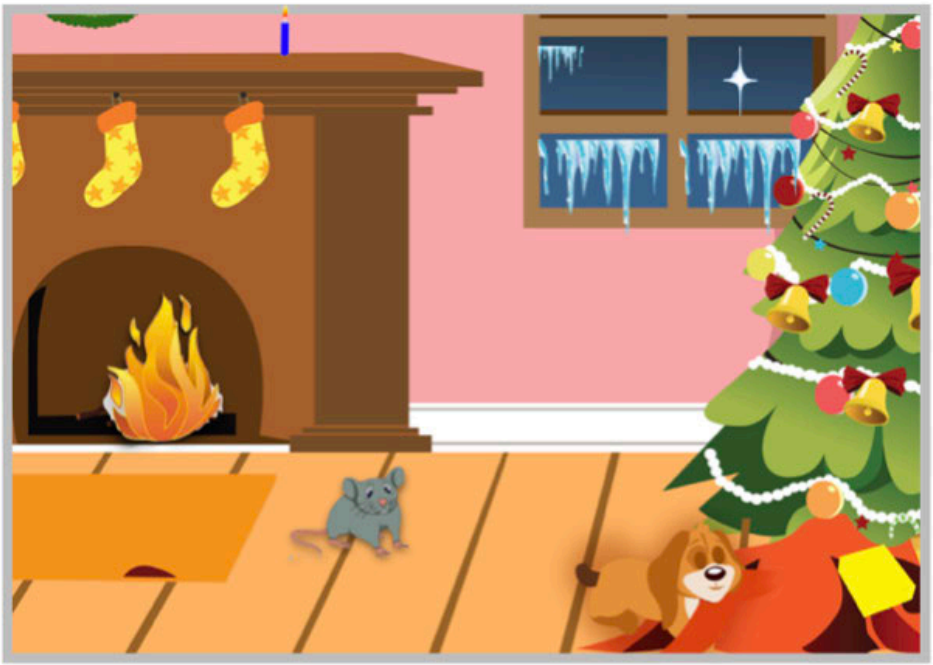
Not a sound from their hoofs!

You're a very good puppy,

You deserve a good home. . .

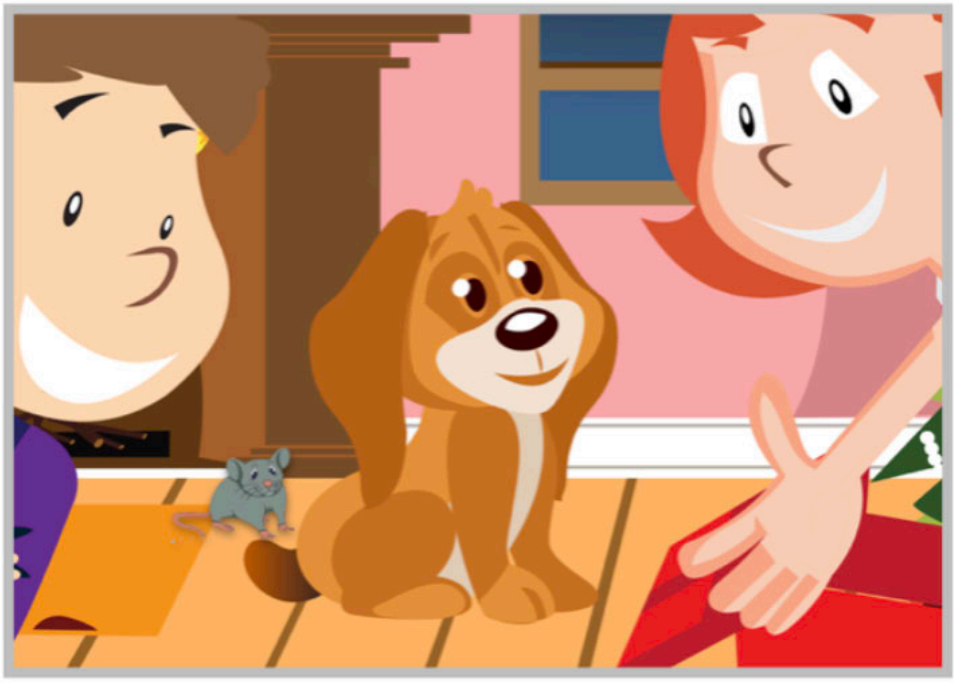
This family will love you,

No howls and no moans!

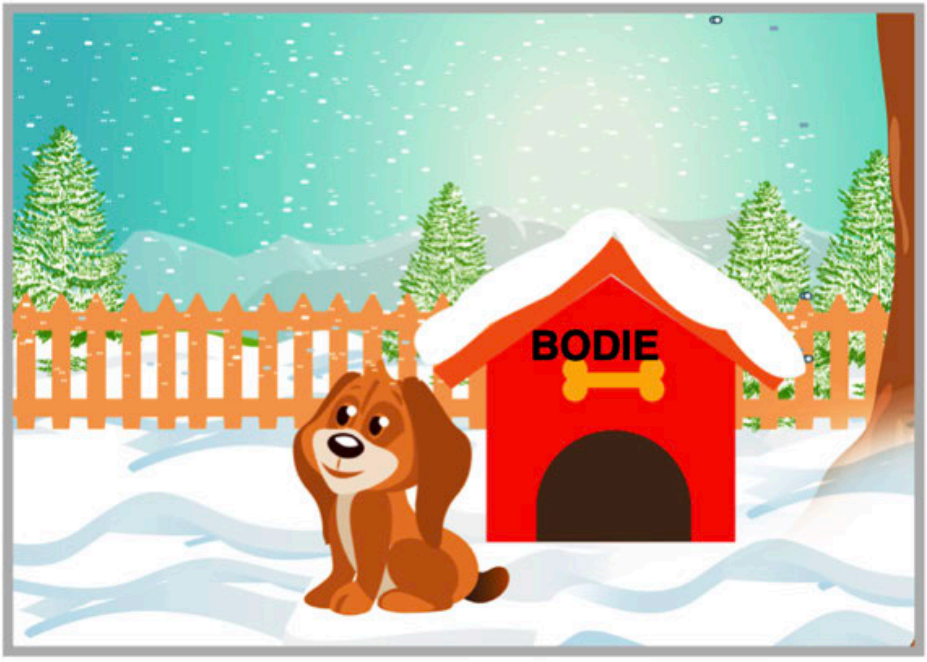


Little Bodie slept soundly,
By the big Christmas tree,
And on Christmas morning,
He awoke there to see . . .

Down the stairs before dawn,
Came two girls and two boys.
Presents under the tree,
All new Christmas toys!



It's a puppy from Santa,
Oh what a great treat!
Bodie beamed with excitement,
His new family to meet.



So Bodie the Beagle,

Had a big yard to roam.

Lots of love and attention

Now he had a new home!

And in a small box,
A green collar so regal. . .
Printed on a gold tag,
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Our Christmas Beagle

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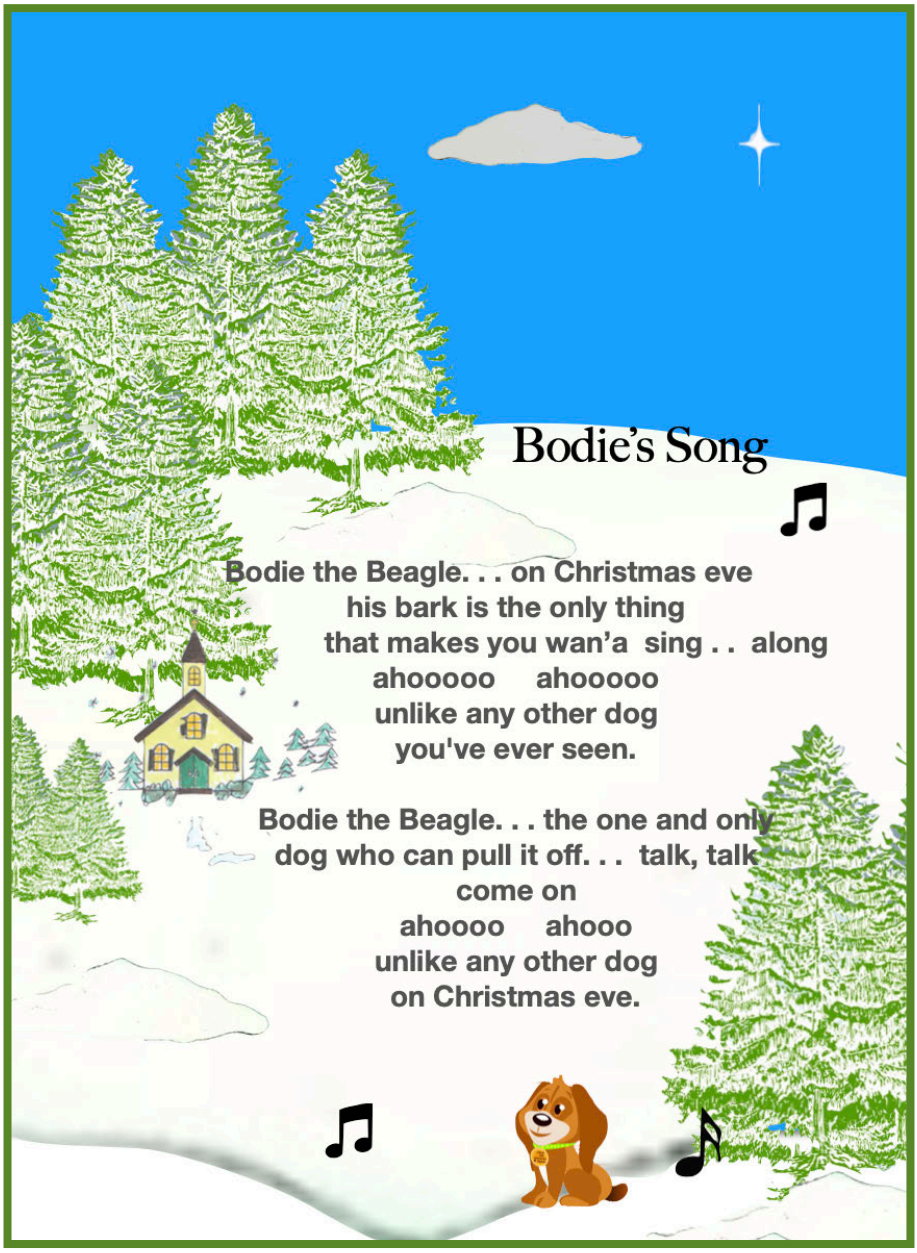
Bodie's Song
Bodie the Beagle. . . on Christmas eve
his bark is the only thing
that makes you wan'a sing . . along
ahooooo ahooooo
unlike any other dog
you've ever seen.
Bodie the Beagle. . . the one and only
dog who can pull it off. . . talk, talk
come on
ahoooo ahooo
unlike any other dog
on Christmas eve.

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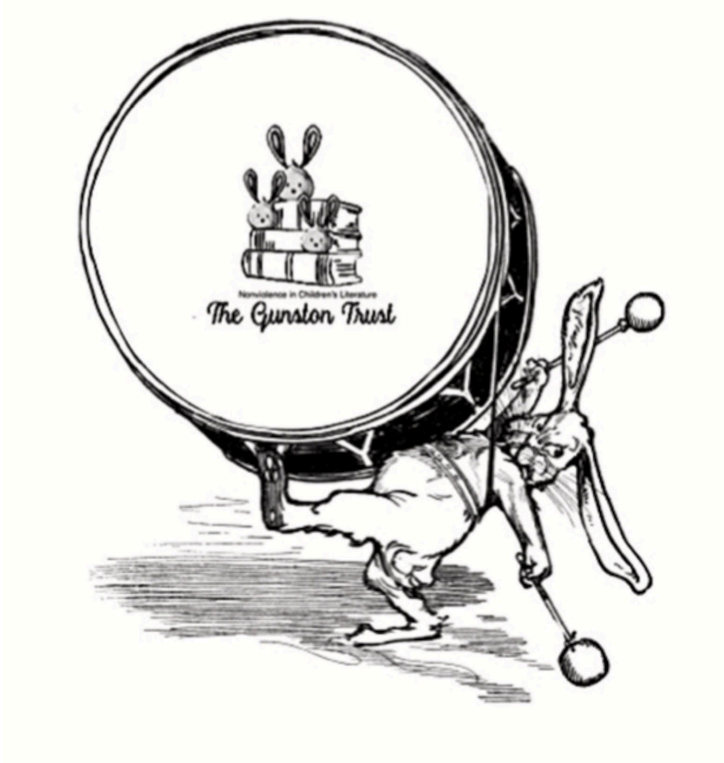

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